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MATSUI SECURES FUNDING FOR McCLELLAN PARK RECLAMATION

Will advance efforts to develop business park

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Representative Robert T. Matsui (D-CA) announced today that McClellan Park will receive \$4.9 million for sewer and soil remediation. Efforts to develop McClellan Park – formerly McClellan Air Force Base – are already underway, but the sewer system needs a complete overhaul before Sacramento County can finish renovating the business park.

“I am pleased Sacramento will receive this much needed funding for this crucial redevelopment effort,” Matsui said. “Sacramento lost 23,000 jobs when the McClellan Air Force Base officially closed in 2001. Advancing this project is a positive step toward creating short- and long-term job opportunities for our community.

Major portions of the McClellan sewer system are 60 years old and in major disrepair. In addition, soil at the site is contaminated and needs to be remediated. In its current condition, the system cannot support the development planned by Sacramento County.

The funding will allow the Air Force to remove the current system and remediate the soil. Once the reclamation project is complete, the land can be transferred from the Air Force to Sacramento County, which already has \$20 million in funding waiting to install a new sewer system for development of the business park.

The funding was included in the FY04 Department of Defense Appropriations conference report, which passed the House of Representatives today. The conference report must now be approved by the Senate and signed by President Bush, which is expected to happen shortly.

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